

## ARGUMENT

### Declaration by Author(s) or Proponent(s)

(Elections Code §9600)

"The undersigned author(s) of the:

- ☐ argument in favor of
- ☐ argument against
- ☐ rebuttal to the argument in favor of
- ☒ rebuttal to the argument against

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Ballot measure W (**letter to be assigned by the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters on August 12th**) at the Consolidated Municipal Election for the City of Mountain View to be held on November 8, 2016, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of \_\_\_\_\_ her \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge and belief.  
(his/her/their)

### ARGUMENT/REBUTTAL FILED BY (check any of the following that apply):



#### City Council

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Contact Person's Signature: *Patricia Showalter*

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#### Bona Fide Association of Citizens or Filers

Name of Association: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Officer's **TYPED** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Officer's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_



#### Individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure

**TYPED** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Voter: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Where You Live: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_



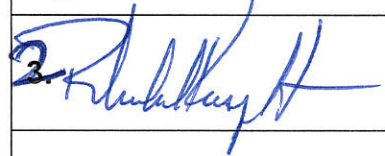

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## SIGNATURE STATEMENT - PAGE 2

CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING & NOTE THAT THE LETTER OF MEASURE WILL BE ASSIGNED BY THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS ON AUGUST 12th:

- ☐ Argument in Favor of Measure \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Argument Against Measure \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure W \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure W \_\_\_\_\_

The signatures of the following persons below will be printed as submitted following the argument or rebuttal.

SIGNATURE	TYPE NAME as it will appear in the Voter's Information Pamphlet	TYPE TITLE & NAME OF ASSOCIATION (IF APPLICABLE) as it will appear in the Voter's Information Pamphlet	ARE YOU SIGNING ON BEHALF OF AN ASSOCIATION?  Yes or No. If no, and you are signing as an individual voter, please provide address of where you live.	DATE
1. 	Pat Showalter Female <u>X</u> Male _____	Mayor, City of Mountain View	Yes	8/21/16
3. 	Chris Clark Female _____ Male <u>X</u> _____	City Council Member Former Mayor	Yes	8/21/16
3. 	Michael Kasperzak Female _____ Male <u>X</u> _____	City Council Member Former Mayor	Yes	8/22/16
4. 	<del>John Inks</del> Female _____ Male <u>X</u> _____	<del>City Council Member Former Mayor</del>	Yes	
5.	Female _____ Male _____		<b>RECEIVED</b>	

## Rebuttal to Gary Wesley's Argument

Measure W's lone opponent suggests there is "a legal issue" about whether the City Council can place an ordinance on the ballot. It is clearly legal for the City Council to put Measure W on the ballot. The following official legal guidance was provided to the City Council after a member of the public raised a question:

*Per the Mountain View City Charter, Mountain View follows the Elections Code for the State of California. Elections Code Section 9200 authorizes any incorporated city to enact an ordinance in accordance with the Elections Code and Section 9222 of the Elections Code specifically authorizes the legislative body of a city which is the Mountain View City Council to submit the enactment of an ordinance to the voters.*

Measure W's opponent also suggested it fails to protect tenants from being evicted simply to raise rents. In fact, Measure W explicitly addresses this issue by including Just-Cause-Eviction provisions based on and very similar to those in Measure V. Measure W prohibits evicting someone without a good reason like failure to pay rent or criminal behavior and contains anti-retaliation protection. The City Council even went a step further than Measure V by adding a financial disincentive for evicting someone for the sole purpose of raising the rent by requiring the payment of significant relocation assistance.

Measure W is the smarter renters' initiative.

Vote for Measure W.

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